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POOR ROBIN, 1689.

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ALMANACK

Of the Old and New Fashion.

WHEREIN

The Reader may see (if his Horns hang not in his light) many remarkable things worthy of his choicest Observation.

Containing a twofold KALENDAR;

Viz. The Julian, English, or Old Account, and the Round-heads, Fanaticks, or Maggot-headed New Account, with their several Saints-days, and Observations upon every Month.

Being the first after Bissextile or Leap-Year.

Written by POOR ROBIN, *Knight of the Burnt-Ishend, a well-wisher to the Mathematicks.*

The Seven and twentieth Impression.

Reader, this is the Seven and twentieth year
Since first Poor Rob'n did in Print appear:
And this we dare affirm without restrictions,
That we each year have hit on our Predictions.
Which makes our Almanack for to exceed,
Since in the same one Lye yt cannot read.

Licenced, Rob. Midgley.

L O N D O N

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TO THE Understanding Readers.

Gentlemen,

I Here present ye with another Years annual Predictions and Observations, as full of Mirth as an Egg is full of Meat, or a Horsecourser with Knavery, and hope these my labours will be as pleasant to you, as toasted Cheese to a Welshman, Butter to a Fleming, Usquebab to an Irishman, or Honey to a Bear. I must confess I am none of those conceited Wits of our times, who can cough Logick, speak Rhetorick, neese Grammar, belch Poetry, piss Geometry, groan Musick, vomit Apothegms, and squirt Oratory. If some of my Lines run higher than the ordinary pitch, then take notice that day I had a Cup of Sherry for my Mornings-draught; where you find them low and flat, impute it to the effects of Small-Beer, or Muddy-Ale. Thus you see how my Muse is influenc'd. I have little else to say, but read and censure as you please all is one to me, I care not;

For this my resolution still shall be,

A Rush for him who cares a Straw for me.

But as for such who are well pleased, and cry Gods Blessing on his heart that wrote it, for he hath cured me of a fit of Melancholy, which else would have brought me into a Consumption; to those I subscribe my self to be

Their Annual Star-gazer,

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The Regal Table.

Kings and Queens.	Born anno	Began to Reign.	Reigned Y. M.	Since they reigned.	Buried at
William Co.	1003	1066 Oct. 14	20 11	602 Sept. 9	Caen Norm.
William	2 1057	1087 Sept. 9	12 11	589 Aug. 1	Winchester
Henry	1 1068	1100 Aug. 2	35 4	554 Dec. 2	Reading
Stephen	1 1105	1135 Dec. 2	18 11	533 Oct. 25	Feverham
Henry	2 1132	1154 Oct. 25	35 9	500 July 6	Fonteverard
Richard	1 1155	1189 July 6	9 9	490 April 9	Fonteverard
John	1 1165	1199 April 9	17 6	473 Oct. 19	Worcester
Henry	3 1207	1216 Oct. 19	56 1	417 Nov. 16	Westminster
Edward	1 1239	1272 Nov. 16	34 8	382 July 7	Westminster
Edward	2 1283	1307 July 7	19 7	363 Jan. 25	Glocester
Edward	3 1312	1326 Jan. 25	51 5	312 June 21	Westminster
Richard	2 1366	1377 June 21	22 3	290 Sept. 29	Westminster
Henry	4 1367	1399 Sept. 29	13 6	276 Mar. 20	Canterbury
Henry	5 1384	1412 Mar. 20	9 5	267 Aug. 31	Westminster
Henry	6 1421	1422 Aug. 31	38 6	230 March 4	Windfor
Edward	4 1442	1460 March 4	12 1	206 April 9	Winchester
Edward	5 1471	1483 April 9	0 2	206 June 22	Not known
Richard	3 1448	1483 June 22	2 2	204 Aug. 22	Leicester
Henry	7 1455	1485 Aug. 22	23 10	174 Apr. 21	Westminster
Henry	8 1491	1509 Apr. 21	37 10	141 June 28	Windfor
Edward	6 1537	1546 Jan. 28	6 5	136 July 6	Westminster
Q. Mary	1 1518	1553 July 16	5 4	131 Nov. 17	Westminster
Q. Eliz.	1 1533	1558 Nov. 17	44 4	87 March 24	Westminster
K. James	1 1566	1602 Mar. 24	22 0	64 March 27	Westminster
Charles	1 1600	1625 Mar. 27	23 10	41 Jan. 30	Windfor
Charles	2 1630	1648 Jan. 30	36 0	4 Feb. 6	Westminster
James	2 1633	1684 Febr. 6	Whom God grant long to Reign.		

*The King, whose Person rightly represents
 Almighty Jove, in his high Majesty,
 Knowing himself the Head, (in whose defence
 The Body of his Kingdom doth rely)
 All his whole care and study doth employ,
 Safe to preserve his Subjects Goods and Lives,
 Looking upon them with a Fathers Eye.
 So shining Lamps do waste themselves and spend,
 Others from darkness kindly to defend.*

A Table of Interest at 6 per Cent.

	1 Mon.			3 Mon.			6 Mon.			9 Mon.			A Year		
	s.	d.	q.	s.	d.	q.	s.	d.	q.	s.	d.	q.	s.	d.	q.
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50	0	0	0	10	0	0	10	0	0	10	0	0	10	0	0
100	0	0	0	20	0	0	20	0	0	20	0	0	20	0	0
150	0	0	0	30	0	0	30	0	0	30	0	0	30	0	0
1	0	1	0	0	3	2	0	7	0	10	2	1	2	1	0
2	0	2	0	0	7	0	1	2	1	9	1	2	4	3	0
3	0	3	0	0	10	2	1	9	1	7	3	3	6	3	0
4	0	4	0	0	13	2	1	4	2	6	3	4	9	0	0
5	0	5	0	0	16	2	1	0	4	6	0	5	0	0	0
6	0	6	0	0	19	2	3	2	5	4	2	7	2	1	0
7	0	7	0	0	22	3	0	7	6	3	1	8	4	3	0
8	0	8	0	0	25	3	0	9	7	1	1	9	6	1	0
9	0	9	0	0	28	3	1	4	8	0	0	10	9	0	0
10	0	10	0	0	31	3	1	0	0	0	0	10	0	0	0
20	0	2	0	0	6	0	0	12	0	0	0	12	0	0	0
30	0	3	0	0	9	0	0	18	0	0	0	18	0	0	0
40	0	4	0	0	12	0	0	24	0	0	0	24	0	0	0
50	0	5	0	0	15	0	0	30	0	0	0	30	0	0	0
60	0	6	0	0	18	0	0	36	0	0	0	36	0	0	0
70	0	7	0	0	21	0	0	42	0	0	0	42	0	0	0
80	0	8	0	0	24	0	0	48	0	0	0	48	0	0	0
90	0	9	0	0	27	0	0	54	0	0	0	54	0	0	0
100	0	10	0	0	30	0	0	60	0	0	0	60	0	0	0

Interest, although it seems of small account,
 Yet in few years doth to a sum amount;
 A Sheep of a hundred Pound doth produce
 A Lamb of six Pounds at years end for Use.
 Lay then to pay as thou dost lay to borrow,
 For double Interest will increase thy sorrow.

A brief Chronology of memorable things.

Since God at first created all things good,	5695
Since all but Eight were drown'd in Noah's Flood.	4036
Since Julius Caesar Britain did invade,	1749
Since learned Preachers England Christian made.	1499
Since William Conqueror Harold overcame,	622
Since Henry the Fifth made Frenchmen tame.	271
Since Henry the Eighth did Bullen win,	143
Since the Exchange built for Merchants to meet in.	123
Since Spains Armado braved us so hot,	101
Since the invention of the Powder-Plot.	84
Since the Crown plac'd on Charles the first his Head,	64
Since Buckingham's Great Duke was murdered.	61
Since Charles the Second from the Womb did spring,	59
Since James the Second born our present King	56
Since Loyal prudent Strafford lost his Head,	48
Since Reverend Bishop Laud was murdered.	45
Since Charles the First by Traytors hands did die	41
Since Capel murdered for his loyalty.	40
Since brave Montross of loyal Blood bereaven,	39
Since Doctor Hewet left this world for Heaven.	31
Since unto us restored was our King,	29
Since the Kings Judges did in Halsters swing.	29
Since Charles the Second to our joy was Crown'd,	28
Since the great Plague so many did confound.	24
Since Fire did London well near overthrow,	23
Since York's great Dukes to the Grave did go.	18
Since Southwark suffered much also by Fire,	13
Since Staffords Lord by Heading did expire.	8
Since the great Comet did with terror flame,	8
Since the Morocco Embassador into England came	7
Since thirteen weeks together Frost did hold,	} 5
and on the Thames Commodities were sold.	
Since Charles the Second dy'd, a Prince renown'd,	4
Since James the Second with his Queen were Crown'd.	4
Since Monmouth did this Land with Arms invade,	4
Since he and Argile both were Headless made.	4
Since Water faild so in the Thames, whereby	} 2
a man might cross it over almost dry	

A brief Chronology of other things.

Since *A. K.* and his Wife plaid a Game at *Cross-ruff*, and tho he had the best Cards in his haad, yet she won the Game, because she made *Clubs* Trump 1

Since the *Hut and Cry* after good Houskeeping, which is either strald aside, or quite lost out of the Country 3

Since *J. W.* watering his Horse, fell over his head into the water, and rising out of it like a drown'd Rat, swore at his Horse, saying, *Pox take ye, what can't ye drink without a Toast?* 2

Since two stout Pitchermen fetchng Beer from *widington*, were way-laid by an Ambuscado, whereby they lost their Beer, but not their Lives. 2

Query, *Because they would not fight.*

Since the Smiths-man at *S.* having got his Dame at close hug In the Stable; his Master spying him as he went our, and asking him what he did there, he told him, *He was shoeing of Ball* 4

*For many times such things as these betide them,
And Fillies must be shoo'd before they ride them.*

Since *H. M.* coming home drunk one Nighr, could not find the way in; wherefore he called to his Neighbour, telling him he had lost the Key-hole of his Door; to whom his Neighbour said, *No, you have only lost your senses;* and so rising helpt him to find his Key-hole agen. 4

Since Tobacco and Coaches came first into England

Query, *whether the Devil first brought over Tobacco in a Coach, or a Coach in a fog or mist of Tobacco?*

Since the Mice at *Quenden* (*O wonderful!*) eat up a Cat 1

Query, *whether this Cat were not of Ginger-bread, and therefore it was not O wonderful!*

Since the Gipsies told *T.S.* it was not long ago that his Wife made him a Cuckold; which she over-hearing said, *Lord Husband, I think these Gipsies know every thing.* 3

Since the Smith at *Walden* catcht the Shoemaker in the Wood-cocks Spridg by a train of Gun-powder. 2

Since

Since the Townsmen of *Mad*—in *Shr*—shire, made a Hedge about a great Oak to keep in the Cuckow. 54

Query, *whether the Townsmen of Gotham or them did it with the best success.*

Since the Inkeeper of *S.* jump't into the River, to try if his Pockers would hold water, and fell out with the Glover who sold him the Skin that made them, because they would not. 3

Since *J. H.* called his wife Whore, saying, *He saw another man a top of her;* who answered, *He could not see it, because his Horns hung in his light.* 2

Since *R. P.* proffer'd his Neighbours Wife a bushel of Wheat for a close Embrace, or Familiar Hug; which her Husband blamed her for refusing, since it would have made a great many Dumplings and Hasty Puddings. 1

Since grim *Vulcan* of *Hat*—wearing yellow Stockings, would have a Warrant for his wife, to prove himself one of the Forked order. 1

Since Brokers went in Mourning for the death of their Honesty. 508

Since *Doll Draper* buried her Husband 16

Query, *whether the reason she lived so long a widow was not, because no body would have her?*

Since the fashion of marrying old rich Wives, and with their Estates to maintain young Misses. 28

Since Charity was frozen to death in the Whirl-pool of Pride. 37

Since *L. D.* call'd his Wife by the laudable names of *Bitch* and *Whore*, swearing that if she were dead, he would not bestow a Coffin on her to be buried in. To which she replied in the terms of *Rogue* and *Rascal*, by the way of *Billingsgate* Complement, swearing that (on condition he were dead) she would give Forty shillings for a Coffin for him. 9

Since the Stradling Quaker went to the Doctor, who asking him, *what a Pox ails ye?* He answered, *Thou saist true it is the Pox indeed.* 8

January hath xxxi. days.

Last quarter the 3 day, 2 minutes past 1 afternoon.

New Moon the 11 day, 10 minutes past 10 in the forenoon

First quarter the 18 day, 26 minutes past 8 in the morning.

Full Moon the 25 day, 12 minutes past 10 in the forenoon.

1	a	New years d.	reins	Ye Heavenly Sisters, by whose skil
2	b	Oct. Stephen.	and	Sweet swounds are rais'd o'th' for-
3	c	Oct. John	loyns	ked Hill (strings,
4	d	Oct. Innocents	secrets	Of high Parnassus, whose tun'a
5	e	Simeon	secrets	Cause Birds to stay their nimble
6	f	Twelfth day	secrets	wings.
7	g	Ced. B. Lond.	thighs	For to admire, before whose feet.
8	a	Lucian	thighs	Lambs fearless with the Lions meet.
9	b	Agapete Virg.	knees	Brave Thespian Ladies, at whose
10	c	Sun in Aqua.	knees	lays, (rent plays.
11	d	W. L. B. Can. m.	legs	Each Mountain bends, each Cur-
12	e	Satyrus	legs	Ye Presidents of Sacred Verse, (bears)
13	f	1 after Epiph.	feet	Grant I each Months praise may re-
14	g	Hillary Bish.	feet	In such even numbers, that my lines
15	a	Mauritius	feet	May give content unto the times.
16	b	Marcellus	head	Now Winter doth the Earth array
17	c	Anthony Ab.	head	In Livery of a silver gray, (ground,
18	d	Prisca Virg.	neck	And with hard frosts locks up the
19	e	Wolstan B.	neck	which by the Sun is oft unbound.
20	f	2 after Epiph.	arms	This cold hard Month with Winters fury,
21	g	Agnes Virg.	arms	Is the Fore-man of the twelve July.
22	a	Vincent	breast	Much noted 'is for the first day,
23	b	Term begins	breast	When New-years gifts are given away,
24	c	T. mothy B.	heart	Each hand is ready to present
25	d	Conv. S. Paul	heart	His Service in a Complement.
26	e	Polycarp B.	bowels	Some with a Ring present their Love,
27	f	Septuagesima	and	Some speak affection by a Glove,
28	g	Carol. Mag.	belly	Or Pins or Points; each Peasant may
29	a	Theodore	reins	After his fashion be as gay
30	b	K. Charles I. m.	reins	As the brub Comitor, and think he
31	c	Cyril	secrets	Cannot without absurdity
				Be that day frugal. By this train
				He oft-times doth a Sweet-heart gain.

Observations on January?

Now a good Fire, or Nut-brown Toast and Ale,
Will make a Nose look red that late was pale;
It is the onliest thing as we do find,
To arm the face against the Northern wind.

1 If hundred Guinea's	8	8	3	52	Enter another New year.
2 be thge sent	8	6	3	54	that's, one more than
3 For New-years gift,	8	4	3	56	there was before. But
4 then rest content.	8	3	3	57	what if there never had
5 Archee	8	2	3	58	been another New year?
6 Tarquin	8	0	4	0	Why the Landlords
7 Vincent Potter	7	59	4	1	would have been migh-
8 Hobbadaboody	7	57	4	3	tily deceived that expe-
9 Gummer Gurton	7	55	4	5	cted Rent for the next
10 Now Toast with Cup	7	54	4	6	Quarter. And is that all?
11 of Malago,	7	52	4	8	No; for then the World
12 Doth chear the heart	7	51	4	9	would have been at an
13 and make it glow.	7	49	4	11	end. And what if the
14 Tom Venner	7	48	4	12	World should be at an
15 Roger Hodgkins	7	46	4	14	end? Why then there
16 Giles Pritchard	7	45	4	15	would be an end of the
17 Jonas Allen	7	43	4	17	World. O! the 23 day
18 The Husbands heart is	7	41	4	19	the Term begit, when a
19 well appeas'd,	7	39	4	21	Lawyer sits in his study
20 When woman quiet is,	7	38	4	22	like a Fox in h's Burrow,
21 and pleas'd.	7	36	4	24	glad to spy a Goose that
22 Gulman	7	35	4	25	hath feathers on his back.
23 Augustine Gatland	7	33	4	27	Westminster-Hall is their
24 Lazarillo	7	31	4	29	Cock-pit, where whiles
25 By blazing forth of	7	29	4	31	their Clients peck out
26 thine own evil,	7	27	4	33	each others eyes, they
27 Thou lightest a Candle	7	25	4	35	pull their feathers; while
28 to the Devil.	7	24	4	36	the Golden-stream runeth
29 Alderman Hoyle	7	22	4	38	their Mill grindeth; but
30 Bubbling Beatrice	7	20	4	40	when that Spring is dry,
31 Half nos'd Peg	7	18	4	42	their tongues are mure.

February hath xxviii. days.

Last quarter the first day, at Midnight.

New Moon the 9 day, 21 minutes past 11 at night.

First quarter the 16 day, 41 minutes past 3 in the afternoon

Full Moon the 24 day, 12 minutes past 2 in the morning.

M.D.	W.D.	Saints days.	Signs	The Northern wind still sharp doth
1	d	Bridget Fast	secrets	Poor People they do find it so. (blow,
2	c	Candlemas d.	secrets	whilst those are rich themselves do
3	f	Sexagesima	thighs	arm, (warm
4	g	Veronica	thighs	With good Strong Beer to keep them
5	a	Agathy	knees	Now men may write an Elegy
6	b	Dorothy Virg.	knees	upon the death of Honesty :
7	c	Zacharias	knees	The Gouty usurer hugs his Bags,
8	d	San In Pluces	legs	whilst Honesty is cloath'd in rags.
9	e	Apollonia	legs	The Gallant spends upon one who e,
10	f	Shrove Sund.	feet	what would maintain as hundred
11	g	Euphrosina	feet	poor. (began,
12	a	Term ends	head	Pride nere so reign'd since world
13	b	Ashwednesday	head	Jack is not known from Gentleman;
14	c	Valentine	neck	And wenches who no time can leese,
15	d	Faustinus	neck	To spin, and feed on Bread and Cheese.
16	e	Julian Virg.	arms	If you on Sundays do them see,
17	f	Quadragesima	arms	You'd think they Gentlewomen be;
18	g	Concordia	breast	Although upon a working day,
19	a	Sabine	breast	They serve the Hogs with swill and
20	b	Mildred	heart	whay.
21	c	69 Martyrs	and	O times ! the world's turn'd topsie-
22	d	Peters Chair	back	turvy. (scurvy.
23	e	Polycarp	bowels	From bad to worse, from good to
24	f	2 Sand. in Lent	bowels	Such Wag-tails as are dress't thus neat,
25	g	S. Mathias	reins	On purpose to be made mans meat ;
26	a	Nestor	and	Are like some Birds, whose feathers are
27	b	Augustine	loyns	More worth than is their bodies far.
28	c	Roman	secrets	And who takes such a one to wife,
				In hopes for to amend his life ;
				Doth see the Wolf to tend the Sheep,
				Or else the Fox the Geese to keep.

Observations on February.

Still Northern winds full bitterly do blow,
Which may produce sharp Frosts and drifts of Snow;
What better counsel can there then be told,
Than drink good Sack to arm thee 'gainst the cold?

M.O.	Slanders.	we may expect some	
		shows of Rain either this	Month or the next, or the
		Sun r.	Sun f.
1	Madg Howlet	7 16	4 44
2	Harry Martin	7 14	4 46
3	Good Diet is better	7 12	4 48
4	than all Doctors slop,	7 10	4 50
5	The Kitchen above the	7 8	4 52
6	Pothecaries shop.	7 6	4 54
7	Flora	7 4	4 56
8	Du Vall	7 2	4 58
9	Damaris Page	7 0	5 0
10	Shrovetide is come,	6 58	5 2
11	the Fritters smell;	6 56	5 4
12	Then ring aloud the	6 54	5 6
13	Pancake-Bell.	6 52	5 8
14	Cleopatra	6 50	5 10
15	Sancho Pancha	6 48	5 12
16	Hanam	6 46	5 14
17	German Princess	6 44	5 16
18	Pasquill	6 42	5 18
19	Robin Hood	6 40	5 20
20	Instead of smelling	6 38	5 22
21	Pinks and Roses,	6 36	5 24
22	Men in their Cloaks	6 34	5 26
23	muffle their Noses.	6 32	5 28
24	Little John	6 30	5 30
25	Satterday Jack	6 29	5 31
26	Bricklayers of Scho	6 26	5 34
27	Knave of Clubs	6 24	5 36
28	Mother Bunch	9 22	5 38

next after that, or else we shall have a very dry Spring. Some Women will be gotten with Child in one place or other; and my reason is, because this is coupling Month. Many People shall live, and many People shall die; but those that die this Month, shall not live the next. Thousands of People shall be Saint without and Satan within, so that there would be a great dearth of Honesty were it not for the Horse-courseters, Millers and Brokers. If the weather be fair, it is good hunting of Squirrels, which with a Drum beating is excellent sport. Those who are desperately in Love, and weary of their lives, there is no such remedy like to that prescribed and used by Jack Ketch, Squire of the Riding-Knot

March hath xxxi. days.

Last quarter the 4 day, 8 minutes past 5 in the morning.
New Moon the 11 day, 57 minutes past 9 in the forenoon.
First quarter the 17 day, 17 minutes past 12 at night.
Full Moon the 25 day, 4 minutes past 6 in the afternoon.

1	d	David Bish.	secrets	Of the Weather this Month.
2	e	Chad B. of L.	thighs	The year begins with blustering
3	f	3 Sund. in Lent	and	weather, (gether.
4	g	Sir Hilte m	hips	where wives and husbands fight to-
5	a	Eusebius	knees	And where the husband haps to dy,
6	b	Fridline	knees	Some shows of tears fall presently,
7	c	Perpetus	legs	But long in Grave he hath not lain,
8	d	Cyprian	legs	But it doth clear up again;
9	e	Capel, &c. m.	feet	And if that Sniters come away,
10	f	Wildcat Sund.	feet	Then 'tis a fine, clear Sun-shine day.
11	g	Conlber	head	If that wise a new Gown would
12	a	Gregory P. C.	head	have, (crave,
13	b	Theodore	neck	And husband grant not what she
14	c	Leo Bish.	neck	Then 'twill be fowling, lowring
15	d	Longinus	arms	weather (ther;
16	e	Boniface	arms	Perhaps sometimes a week toge-
17	f	Passion Sund.	breast	But buy her what she doth desire,
18	g	Edward K. m.	and	Don't have what weather you require
19	a	Joseph	thoracic	If wife laughs till she cries again,
20	b	Cuthbert Bish.	heart	Then 'tis a Sun-shine in a Rain.
21	c	Benedict	heart	And just such weather 't is they say,
22	d	Paulinus	bowels	When some win, & some lose at play.
23	e	Theodore	bowels	where Master giveth Servant raps,
24	f	John Sunday	reins	There lightning is, & thunderclaps.
25	g	Lady Day	and	And if that arms be black and blue,
26	a	Cister	loins	Why then 'tis of the Rain-bows hue.
27	b	Martin	secrets	When men are drunk and fall a spring,
28	c	Marcel World.	secrets	Then that's a sign of floods ensuing;
29	d	Good Friday	thighs	But wanting drink, and being dry,
30	e	Guido	and	Then that is drought assuredly.
31	f	after Day	hips	And thus I think for weather telling, These Lines of mine are most ex-celling.

Observations on March.

Physicians say, that Physick now is good
To dislodge flegm, and purifie the Blood;
But let them prate and prattle what they please,
The man that temperate is dreads no disease.

1	Now. every one in	6	19	5	41	
2	Wales born at,	6	17	5	43	
3	Has a green Leek up-	6	15	5	45	The greatest disease a
4	on his Hat.	6	13	5	47	wrong function of Peo-
5	Perkin Warbeck	6	11	5	49	ple this Month will be
6	Levellings Ludlow	6	9	5	51	want of Money, as also it
7	Fryer Bungy	6	6	5	54	will be very unwholsom
8	Tom Corlat	6	4	5	56	for them to eat Suppers
9	No sort of flesh now	6	2	5	58	that have no Victuals.
10	do thou mind,	6	0	6	0	Now is the Holy time of
11	Either of Beasts or	5	58	6	2	Lent, when a dish of Ling
12	Women kind.	5	56	6	4	and Mustard will make a
13	Madam Creswel	5	53	6	7	Brace of Serving-men
14	Committee of Safety	5	51	6	9	Beards wag, and tatter'd
15	Holy Maid of Kent	5	49	6	11	Harbidge and Fumety a
16	Madg with the Lant.	5	47	6	13	Princely dish for a hungry
17	The Spring is come,	5	45	6	15	Stomach. Lenten stuff
18	you may it know,	5	43	6	17	shall be very plentiful,
19	Some womens Bellies	5	41	6	19	store of Peat with those
20	does it shew.	5	39	6	21	Women whose Husbands
21	Massanello	5	37	6	23	frequent the Ale-house,
22	James Naylor	5	35	6	25	and abundance of Carp
23	Devil of Mascon	5	33	6	27	with them that have cross-
24	George a Green	5	31	6	29	grain'd Wives: Souls shall
25	Who's born a Thief, a	5	28	6	32	be of little esteem with
26	Thief will be,	5	26	6	34	Knights of the Post; but
27	Though he each day	5	24	6	36	Maids shall be scarce, and
28	the Gallows sie.	5	22	6	38	Lobcocks more plentiful
29	Mother Damnable	5	20	6	40	behalf than Lashers.
30	Gregory Clement	5	18	6	42	
31	Mother Redcap	5	16	6	44	

April hath xxx. days.

Last quarter the 2 day, 31 minutes past 9 at night.

New Moon the 9 day, 32 minutes past 6 in the afternoon.

First quarter the 16 day, 42 minutes past 10 in the morning

Full Moon the 24 day, at 11 in the morning.

1	g	Ballor Mond.	knees	The Blackbird, Thrush, and Night-
2	a	Easter Tuesd.	knees	ingale,
3	b	Mary Egypt.	legs	Now cheerly sing in Grove and Vale;
4	c	Richard Bish.	legs	The Cuckow also sings her tune,
5	d	Ambrose	legs	As sweet as smells th' Rose in June.
6	e	Vincent	feet	The Mavis, and the Lark so high,
7	f	Low Sunday	feet	Chant forth their tunes melodiously.
8	g	Dionysius	head	These in their Leavy-Cages sing
9	a	Valerian	head	A welcom to th' approaching Springs;
10	b	Sun in Taurus	neck	And Bacchus Sons to make them
11	c	Leo Pap.	neck	merry,
12	d	July Bish.	arms	will sing over a glass of sherry.
13	e	Zenon	arms	Their Song.
14	f	2 after Easter	breast	To hunt the Fox is an old Sport,
15	g	Olympia	breast	us'd both in City and in Court;
16	a	Ifidore	heart	Nor are the Academicks free,
17	b	Term begins	heart	No Beast thry chase so much as he:
18	c	Valerian	bowels	For when they're out of their stu-
19	d	Elphege	and	dious vein, (times follow,
20	e	Victor mar.	belly	Thy'l sometimes follow, they'l some-
21	f	3 after Easter	reins	They'l sometimes follow the Foxes
22	g	Emanuel	reins	strain.
23	a	St. George	secrets	The little Fox at length is found,
24	b	Wilfride	secrets	where he lies lurking underground.
25	c	Mark Evang.	secrets	He earths himself in Cellars deep,
26	d	Cletus	chighs	whilst Mortals they from him do
27	e	Anastasiu	chighs	creep. (Brain,
28	f	4 after Easter	knees	Till gentle slumbers charm each
29	g	C. Bushel m.	knees	And so concludes the, and so concludes the,
30	a	Erkenwald	knees	And so concludes the Foxes strain.
				Thus they no care take for the morrow;
				But banish grief, and hang up sorrow.

Observations on April.

Now vail your Bonnets, for the Cuckow's come,
Whose voice strikes Eie' with admiration dumb.
He sings upon my Neighbours Tree, what then ?
He may wear Horns no more than other men.

1	Coller of Croyden	5	14	6	46	Saturn this Month is in
2	Daniel Broughton	5	12	6	48	his Mulligrubs, therefore
3	From Harpies nails,	5	10	6	50	it will be as bad for a
4	from Furies whips;	5	8	6	52	blind man to be a Watch-
5	From all sharp Noses,	5	6	6	54	maker, as for a Blindman
6	and thin Lips.	5	4	6	56	to turn Ea'lad-finger. The
7	From two-leg'd Cats	5	2	6	58	17th day the Term begins,
8	with their 9 lives;	5	0	7	0	when Lawyers shall be so
9	From smoothfac'd Fluts	4	58	7	2	troubled with the heat of
10	from scolding wives.	4	56	7	4	the Liver, that will make
11	From speaking fair,	4	54	7	6	the Palms of their hands
12	who not affect us;	4	52	7	8	so hot, that they cannot
13	O may the Stars this	4	50	7	10	be cool'd unless they be
14	Year protect us.	4	49	7	11	rub'd with the Oil of An-
15	Gregory Hangman	4	47	7	13	gels. Now the Gardens
16	John Berkhead	4	45	7	15	flourish, but no Hearts-
17	Miles Corbet	4	43	7	17	ease growing to such men
18	John Okey	4	41	7	19	as are wedded to Shrews,
19	Paccollet	4	39	7	21	or those Women that are
20	Tom Tell troth	4	38	7	22	marri'd to hasty husbands.
21	Easier the Ocean for	4	36	7	24	Taylors shall be very busie in
22	to span,	4	34	7	26	their occupation; yet none of
23	Than keep a young	4	32	7	28	them shall so much mind Hea-
24	Maid from a Man.	4	30	7	30	ven; that they shall forget to
25	Hewson the Cobler	4	28	7	32	throw some large Shreds into
26	Doctor Faustus	4	27	7	33	Hell under their Shop-board.
27	Frank the Fidler	4	25	7	35	Some men shall marry their
28	John Lilburn	4	23	7	37	Sons before they be wise, and
29	Owen Rowe	4	22	7	38	for the same give the like rea-
30	Zanippe	4	20	7	40	son that Metellus the Roman
						did to Tiso, Because (said he)
						if my Son grow to be wise, he
						will never marry.

May hath xxxi. days.

Last quarter the 2 day, 26 minutes past 10 in the morning.
 New Moon the 9 day, 34 minutes past 1 in the morning.
 First quarter the 15 day, 21 minutes past 11 at night.
 Full Moon the 24 day, 19 minutes past 2 in the morning.
 Last quarter 31 day, 40 minutes past 7 in the afternoon.

1	b	May-day	legs	The twenty third this Month of May,
2	c	Achimafius	legs	A Fair at Bow is kept that day,
3	d	Invent. Cross	feet	where Geese by heaps do go to wrack
4	c	Florian	feet	who scarce have feathers on their
5	f	Rogat. Sund.	head	back. (ing,
6	g	John Port. Lat.	head	There is such baking, roasting, boil-
7	a	John of B.	neck	Such swearing, drabing, dicling,
8	b	Stanislaus	neck	toiling. (stinking,
9	c	Ascension d.	arms	Such shifting, sharking, smoking,
10	d	Gordian	arms	Such gormandizing, gawling, drink-
11	e	Sun in Gem.	breast	ing.
12	f	W. Stratford m.	breast	As the World run on wheels away,
13	g	Term ends	heart	And all the Devils kept Holy-day.
14	a	Isidore	and	As flowers & weeds together grow,
15	b	Sophia	back	People are then at Stratford-Bow;
16	c	C. Penrud. m.	bowel	There fits a Cheater, there a Gull,
17	d	Dunstan	bowel	There an honest woman, there a Trull;
18	e	Potencius	reins	There's one a roasting one a stewing,
19	f	Whituesday	reins	There's one drinks till he falls a
20	g	Whitmonday	secrets	spuing. (Tib,
21	a	Whittuesday	secrets	here stands Tom-Tinker and his
22	b	M. Montrois m.	secrets	And there a Jugler with hands glib.
23	c	Trans. Franc.	thighs	There throngs a Cutpurse with his Tool.
24	d	S. Boniface	thighs	And there a Coxcomb, there a Fool.
25	e	Urban	knees	here some together by th'ears (Bears
26	f	Trinity Sund.	knees	tumbling i'th' Dirt like Dogs and
27	g	Coronis Mar.	knees	Thus Limy woo'st, good and ill,
28	a	Germa	legs	People flock thither, Jack and Jill.
29	b	Carol. II. Nat	legs	So mingle mangle time they spend,
30	c	Ycom. & Boa. m.	feet	Till night doth make them homeward mend
31	d	Term begins	feet	and wise as Geese depart away, For whom the Geese were kill'd that day.

Observations on May

It Women oig with Child do long this season,
They may have either Cherries, or green Peason ;
Those who do now lie in may fill their Bellies
With comfortable Caudles, and warm Jellies.

1	Now rise betimes	4 11	7 42	Saturn is in a malevo-
2	this Month of May,	4 17	7 43	lent Aspect with Mer-
3	Eat Sage and Butter,	4 15	7 45	cury, this will cause the
4	and drink whey.	4 14	7 46	plague of jealousie to
5	scety Evills	4 12	7 48	possess the nodles of
6	Michael Liveley	4 11	7 49	many men, now the best
7	Jaragintua	4 10	7 50	way to keep a Woman
8	Rablais	4 8	7 52	honest, is to make her
9	The lives of Men	4 7	7 53	be always cross leg'd.
10	intwo Seas swim,	4 6	7 54	Again Jupiter is ill po-
11	Death comes to young,	4 4	7 56	sited, therefore many
12	old go to him.	4 3	7 57	young men shall strive
13	Cook Lorrel	4 2	7 58	to thrust their heads in-
14	Huffing Dick	4 0	8 0	to the noose of Matri-
15	Dick Tarleton	3 53	8 2	mony, but let me tell
16	Will Goffe	3 57	8 3	them
17	Squire Ketch	1 56	8 4	There's more belongs to Wed
18	Comical Dick	3 55	8 5	Than four bare legs in Bed.
19	Now at this time	1 52	8 7	Ecsides it is accounted
20	is Harvest weather	1 50	8 8	ominous to wed this
21	at-Islington	3 51	8 9	Month, as the Poet
22	three days together.	3 50	8 10	writes
23	My Lady wheedle	3 49	8 11	The Proverb that doth say,
24	Little Dick	3 48	8 12	'Tis ill to wed in May.
25	Pride the Dray-men	3 47	8 13	
26	Esquire Dun	3 46	8 14	How ever Tom ventures
27	Our fear of hurt	3 45	8 15	to hang on Nell's Lips.
28	from Beasts is least,	3 45	8 15	like a Pad-lock on a
29	Man is to man	3 44	8 16	Pedlar's Pack.
30	the greatest beast.	3 34	8 16	
31	Marrlot the oxer	3 42	8 16	B

June hath xxx days.

New Moon the 7. day, 8. min. past 10 in the forenoon.
 First Quarter the 14. day, 51. min. past 1 in the morning.
 Full Moon the 22. day, 18. min. past 4. in the afternoon.
 Last Quarter the 30. day, near 2. in the morning.

1	a	Nicodemus	head	<i>Of all degrees and states that are That life with Beggar may compare? Heaven is the Roof covers his head, The Clouds his Curtains to his Bed, The Sun his Fire, Stars Candle-light, The Moon doth guide him in the night, When Sol makes other mortals sweat, A Tree doth shade him from the heat: When Winter makes the Cow to quake, He in a Barn doth harbour take. He fears no malice nor despight, And dares kill those that him backbite, He feareth not a Quarter-day, He doth no Rent receive nor pay, Let Cannons thunder, Muskets bounce, Nation 'gainst Nation Wars denounce, Let Armies force 'gainst force oppose, He nothing fears, hath nought to lose, Musick waits on him in each Bush, The Mavis, Bulfinch, Blackbird, (Thrush, The Lark sings in the lofty Sky, And Redbreast makes him Melody; These feathered Fidlers sing and play, He takes delight, and God doth pay, He drinketh Ale of Natures brewing, Which seldom sets her Guests a spuing, And lastly, when so e're he dies, To prove his Will few Fees suffice.</i>
2	a	1 after Trin.	and	
3	b	Erasmus	face	
4	a	Petronius	neck	
5	b	Boniface	neck	
6	c	Claudius	arms	
7	d	Robert Ab.	arms	
8	e	D. Hewet hl.	breast	
9	f	2 after Trin.	breast	
10	g	Trans of Ed.	heart	
11	a	S. Barnabas	heart	
12	b	Basil Confes.	bowels	
13	c	Anthony	bowels	
14	d	Basil Bishop	reins,	
15	e	Vitus	and	
16	f	P. Henric. B.	loynes	
17	g	Butolph Ab.	secrets	
18	a	Marcelline	secrets	
19	b	Term ends	thighs	
20	c	Silverius	and	
21	d	Walburg	hips	
22	e	Albany	knees	
23	f	4 after Trin.	knees	
24	g	S. Joh. Bap.	legs	
25	a	Amphibalus	legs	
26	b	John & Paul	feet	
27	c	7 Sleepers	feet	
28	d	Leo. Fast	feet	
29	e	Peter Ap.	head	
30	f	5 after Trin.	head	

Observations on June.

Now store of Cheeses are made every day,
Which for the Hogs produceth store of Whay,
But that of late they have got such a chouse,
Robbing the Hogs to serve the *Coffie-House*.

1 Fryer Tuck	3 4 2	8 18	Should your Gallants
2 Argile	3 4 2	8 18	now turn so profuse as
3 If idleness on some	3 4 2	8 18	to boil their Beef in
4 do border,	3 4 1	8 19	Canary, and make the
5 Let Oyle of whip	3 4 1	8 19	Beggers drunk with the
6 cure that disorder.	3 4 1	8 19	vortage, I should much
7 Pantagruel	3 4 1	8 19	marvel; Nor do I think
8 Tantabilus	3 4 1	8 19	we shall hear of anyone
9 Muggleton	3 4 1	8 19	drunk with eating the
10 Queen of Morocco	3 4 1	8 19	Sirrup of stued Prunes;
11 C. Clausley	3 4 1	8 19	More danger there is of
12 Those betwixt whom	3 4 1	8 19	Peoples bursting their
13 true faith is given,	3 4 1	8 19	Bellies with eating
14 Death only parts,	3 4 1	8 19	Pease-porredg and Cu-
15 being knit by Heaven.	3 4 1	8 19	stard. Prating Lovers
16 Tom a Lincoln	3 4 1	8 19	may now go hang them-
17 3 Loggerheads	3 4 1	8 19	selves if they come nor
18 Simon Mayn	3 4 1	8 19	to their Sweet-hearts
19 Spanish Curate	3 4 2	8 18	with Money enough in their
20 If women chance	3 4 2	8 18	Pockets. Yet is there a
21 to stray amiss,	3 4 2	8 18	way left them to get enough
22 You must rebuke	3 4 3	8 17	to purchase Farthing Candles
23 them with a kiss.	3 4 4	8 16	to read Romances by, if
24 Flying Serpent	3 4 5	8 16	they preserve their tears in
25 Sir Henry Vane	3 4 6	8 15	Wicker-bottles, and sell
26 Now Men in Arbors.	3 4 7	8 14	them to the Farriers to rub
27 fit and tippie,	3 4 8	8 13	gall'd Horses Backs with,
28 until both Legs	3 4 8	8 12	instead of Salt and Vinegar.
29 and Wit turns Cripple.	3 4 9	8 11	The Month ends with dark
30 3 Loggerheads	3 5 0	8 10	lowring Weather, where the
Will. Pote			younger Sister is married be-
			fore the elder.

July hath xxxi days.

New Moon the 6. day 28. min. past 4. afternoon.
 First Quarter the 14 day 54 min. past 1. in the morning.
 Full Moon the 22 day 58. min. past 4. in the morning.
 Last Quar cr the 27. day 7. min. past 8. in the forenoon.

1	G	Oa S John B.	neck	Now Men and Maids in good Array
2	A	Vilit. S. Mary	neck	March to the Meadons to make Hay :
3	B	C. Alton M.	arms	For Cordons now at this Tide
4	C	Ulric	arms	With Scythe cuts down the Summers
5	D	Tom Chal. m.	breast	(gride, Mek's Fields of Grass and Flowers
6	E	Sexburga Q.	breast	(bare, Which unto Hay is made with care.
7	F	6 after Trin.	heart	The Sun doth scorch with parched
8	G	Chilian	heart	(heat, And though men work not, yet they
9	A	Cyril Bishop.	bowel	(sweat, Sol to the Lyon drives his Streets.
10	B	Oct. & Vm. m.	and	Ripning the Grain, Flowers, Herbs,
11	C	Pius	belly	(and Weeds, The dogged Dog days with heat sweats,
12	D	Sun in Leo	reins	And Fevers make the Patient melt.
13	E	Margaret	reins	Cicely and Bridget now do club
14	F	7 after Trin.	secret	With Tom and Jack for Sillabub,
15	G	St. Swithun	secret	The one finds Milk, the other Beer,
16	A	Osmond	secret	So they together make good cheer :
17	B	Dry Levis m.	thighs	And having each drunk up his Quert,
18	C	Rolina	thighs	They with a kist do friendly part.
19	D	Dog days be	knees	Good Huswives now no time will
20	E	Alexus	knees	(tease For making of Butter and Cheese :
21	F	8 after Trin.	legs	Now where that Cream and Milk is
22	G	Mary Magd	legs	(joy, There the best sort of Cheese you'll find :
23	A	Agellina m.	legs	But Cream from Milk took quite away,
24	B	Christ. V. M.	feet	The De'll such Huswives take, I say,
25	C	James Ap.	feet	If ancient Precepts thou do mind,
26	D	Anna	head	Then middle not with Women kind,
27	E	7 Sleepers	head	Especially of Whores beware,
28	F	9 after Trin.	neck	Lest the French Pox fall to thy share :
29	G	Beatrice	neck	For amongst them 'tis certain found,
30	A	Abdo	arms	A hundred rotten to one sound,
31	B	Ignacius	arm	

Observations on July.

Now Ceres sun-burnt hangeih down her head,
Ready her bountiful increase to shed.

Bacchus now licenseth Pomona's Fruit:

Cider with Sugar very well dorth suit.

1	Will Sommers	3	50	8	10	Now the weather is so
2	Don Diego	3	51	8	9	hot, that to haunt
3	Tis no dishonour,	3	52	8	8	Whore-houses is very
4	for yet cheat,	3	53	8	7	dangerous, according to
5	On disadvantage	3	54	8	6	the Italian Proverb,
6	to retreat.	3	55	8	4	Quello che ha un piè in
7	Xanippe	3	57	8	3	Bordello, e l'altro nello
8	John Dixwell	3	58	8	2	spedale: he who hath
9	And Bess	3	59	8	1	the one foot in a Baw-
10	Arise Evans	4	0	8	0	dy-House, hath the o-
11	The Suns beams now	4	1	8	0	ther in an Hospital. In
12	whom are set	4	2	8	0	Ash's time Owls,
13	hat Butter by	4	3	8	0	Daws, Buzzards, Wood-
14	the Fire will melt.	4	4	8	0	cocks, Apes and Asles
15	Asapart	4	5	8	0	talk't together; Now
16	Robert Fichborn	4	6	8	0	you may hear them in
17	Tom a Bedlam	4	7	8	0	the shape of Men di-
18	Sir John Mandevil.	4	8	8	0	scourse of matters of
19	Now is no Law	4	9	8	0	State in every Tavern
20	debates nor wrangling,	4	10	8	0	and Coffee-House. It is an
21	No war with words	4	11	8	0	old Proverb, That he who
22	nor such like jangling.	4	12	8	0	receives a man, upbraids
23	Frank Chalmers	4	13	8	0	with a staff, must never be a
24	Black pud tieg	4	14	8	0	judge. Therefore say I, that
25	Trade not with whores	4	15	8	0	he who believes his Pro-
26	each Pocky ware,	4	16	8	0	verb, is an Ass that will do
27	Especially	4	17	8	0	either. Now the Dog days
28	now Dog-days are.	4	18	8	0	begin, therefore it will be
29	Let	4	19	8	0	very unwholesome to Trade
30	Meriton Latroon	4	20	8	0	with Pocky Whores.
31	Mu kle John	4	21	8	0	

August hath xxxi days.

New Moon the 5 day, 21 m'n. past 3 in the morning.

First Quarter 12 day, 13 min. past 11 at night.

Full Moon 30 day, 17 min. past 4 in the afternoon.

Last Quarter 27 day, 33 min. past 10 in the forenoon.

1	c	Lammas day	breast	— Pistoribus atque Portis,
2	e	Stephanus	breast	Quodlibet audendi semper fuit æqua
3	e	Dominicus	heart	potestas.
4	f	10 after Trin.	and	Poets and Painters have like skill,
5	g	Oswald	back	To add and feign even what they will.
6	a	Sixtus	bowels	Crescit amor nummi, quantum ipsa
7	b	Donatus B.	bowels	pecunia crescit.
8	c	Cyriacus	reins	The rank desire of massed gold,
9	d	Romanus	reins	Grows faster than doth coyn it self.
10	e	S. Lawrence	secrets	Sine Cerere & Baccho friget Venus.
11	f	11 after Trin.	secrets	Take Gluttony and Wine away,
12	g	Clare Virg.	secrets	And Venus may alone go play.
13	a	Sun. in Virg.	thighs	— In vino veritas.
14	b	Eusebius	thighs	Some man in Wine discovers what
15	c	Assump. Mary	knees	(he knows,
16	d	Rock.	knees	Which being sober nothing would
17	e	Mammes	knees	(disclose.
18	f	12 after Trin.	legs	Vir sapit qui parca loquitur.
19	g	Sebaldus	legs	That Man is wise that few words
20	a	Lewis B.	feet	(speaks,
21	b	Bernardus	feet	Rash speaking often the neck breaks.
22	c	Zus. Andr. m.	head	Sero sapunt Phryges.
23	d	Col. Mor. m.	head	It is of many Men the jest,
24	e	Barthol. Ap.	neck	For to be wise when 'tis too late.
25	f	13 after Trin.	neck	Qui patrem novit, filius ille sapit.
26	g	Sephryne	arms	That Child in wisdom grows,
27	a	Dog days end	and	Who his own Father knows.
28	b	Cuthbert	should.	Nihil miserius quā pecunia indigere.
29	c	Desol. Jo. Bap.	breast	There is nothing that is worse,
30	d	Sir G. Lucas &	breast	Than to want Money in thy purse.
31	e	Sir G. Lisle m.	heart	Probatum est

Observations on August.

Now *Ceres* Swains cut down the Fields rich Treasure,
And profit makes the greatest toyle a pleasure:
The Carts are loaded ready for to break,
And Harvest endeth with a Hoaky-Cake.

1	Frowzey Moll	135	7	25	Some count little leg'd
2	Petrigrin Pelham	136	7	24	Men to be very wise, be
3	Mother Cunney	138	7	22	cause they have no calfs
4	Now Lawyers they	140	7	20	in their legs; but they
5	do idle lie,	141	7	19	are mistaken, for why,
6	Whiles Farmers do	143	7	17	their calf is in their
7	their business play.	145	7	15	brains, and that makes
8	Mouching Malt	147	7	13	them to be very fools.
9	John Downe	148	7	11	Some rich Curmudge-
10	Proserpine	150	7	10	ons shall do acts of cha-
11	Giles Rumbelow	52	7	8	riety, but as unwillingl
12	Who plays at work,	54	7	6	is ever Fanatick paid
13	and works at play,	156	7	4	Royal aid, or Church
14	Nere works, nor yet	158	7	2	Durics. Some Women
15	makes Holy-day.	5	0	0	will make a difficulty
16	Tom Thumb	5	2	58	of losing a Maidenhead
17	Xanippe	5	4	56	to their Husband who
18	Witch of Endor	5	6	54	afterwards will not
19	R. Lilburn	5	8	52	scruple to make him a
20	Wolner of Windsor	5	10	50	Cuckold. Now shall
21	Fergusson	5	12	48	some go to assay the
22	Hudibras	5	14	46	Dog-Star of leachery
23	Chaucers Miller	5	16	44	in the Petticoats of the
24	Now's Pig at Smith-	5	18	42	Damofels of Latens's
25	field for each Glutton,	5	20	40	Law, which shall cause
26	And for Whoremasters	5	22	38	them grievously to com-
27	there's lac'd Mutton.	5	24	36	plain when they are un-
28	Stephen Colledge	5	26	34	der the Chirurgeons
29	Rumbold	5	28	32	hands.
30	Will St. George	5	30	30	
31	Coz. C F't B.M. Mar. 2	5	22	6	

September hath xxx days.

New Moon the 3 day, 39 min. past 3 in the afternoon.
 First Quarter the 11 day, 17 m. past 5 in the afternoon.
 Full Moon the 19 day, 46 m. past 5 in the morning.
 Last Quarter the 27 day, 13 m. past 3 in the afternoon.

1	14	after Trin.	heart	Now that the month hath got an R. in't,
2	g	Veronica	bowels	Astrologers do see so far in't,
3	a	Julia Tyrann	bowels	That they predict for certainty
4	b	Theodosia	reins	Women i'th' Streets will Oysters cry;
5	c	Zacharius	and	But if you'd buy them at best rate,
6	d	Magrus	loyns	You must go down to Billingsgate;
7	e	Trans. Dunst.	secrets	There Barge-fulls are for to be sold,
8	f	St. Eliz. dyed	secrets	Where you may hear a Game at Scold,
9	g	Nat. B. Mary	thighs	As eager as 'twere for their lives
10	a	Sylvius	and	'Twixt Orange-Maids and Oyster
11	b	P. othius	hipps	With goodly terms of Bitch and Whore,
12	c	Sun in Libra	knees	Drab, Slut, Quean, Bawd, and s.m.
13	d	H. D. G. dyed	knees	(thing more,
14	e	Holy Hood	eggs	I w'd think he had need of patience
15	f	16 after Trin.	eggs	That marry should a Wife from thence.
16	g	Euphemia	legs	Yet let the sellers scold and curse,
17	a	Lambert	feet	The Oysters they eat he're the worse,
18	b	Victor	feet	But wash them down with Bacchus
19	c	Januarius	head	(liquor,
20	d	Fausta Fast	head	And that will make digestion quicker,
21	e	Matthew Ap	neck	A pint or two of racy Sack,
22	f	17 Ast. Trin	neck	Or Claret, if such Wine you lack;
23	g	Teola Virg.	arms	Each good the Oysters to digest,
24	a	Andoc' emar	arms	But in my mind the Sack is best;
25	b	Cleophas	breast	Those who do doubt which of the two,
26	c	Cyprian	breast	Drink both, one will be sure to do.
27	d	Col. & Dam.	heart	
28	e	Vincel. fast	heart	
29	f	Mich. Arch.	bowels	
30	g	Hierome	bowels	

Observations on September.

'Mongst mortalls here below, the dire Aspects
Will cause this Month quite contrary effects,
It makes the Landlord laugh for Quarter-day,
And makes the Tenants mourn have Rent to pay.

1 Tyburn	5 35 6 25	This Month is very re-
2 S. Oliver	5 37 6 23	markable, for on the
3 When Sal by Mercury	5 39 6 21	third day thereof Oli-
4 is nicks,	5 41 6 19	ver Cromwell very un-
5 Mens Pockets by	5 43 6 17	willingly left the world;
6 their Wives are pickt.	5 45 6 15	certainly he was a very
7 Bears face and nose	5 47 6 13	unwise man, first to
8 Gregory Norton	5 49 6 11	die, when he might well
9 Cunney Beard.	5 51 6 9	think he should go to a
10 Sue Flavell	5 53 6 7	worse place after his
11 Knipperdolling	5 56 6 4	death; Secondly, That
12 with Apples, Pears,	5 58 6 2	after he had been dead
13 Grapes, Oysters, Nuts,	6 06 6 0	a good space, he would
14 Now Men stop their	6 25 5 58	rise again, and take a
15 ungodly Guts.	6 45 5 56	walk to Tyburn: but his
16 Pope Jone	6 65 5 54	head was more politrick
17 Julian Apostate	6 95 5 51	to leave his Body be-
18 Jack Bradshaw	6 115 5 49	hind there, and to get
19 Laird Warreston	6 135 5 47	up on Wyllminster-Hall,
20 Holy Maid of Kent	6 155 5 45	that he might take a
21 Mother Dobs.	6 175 5 43	view of what was done
22 At Michaels, and	6 195 5 41	hereabouts. Have a
23 each ether Tide,	6 215 5 39	care how you go abroad
24 'Tis good for Money	6 235 5 37	the 14 day, for then,
25 to provide;	6 255 5 35	they say, the Devil goes
26 For money makes	6 275 5 33	a nursing, and if you
27 the Mare to go,	6 295 5 31	should meet with that
28 And without it	6 315 5 29	Cloven Footed Rascal.
29 there's nought to do.	6 335 5 27	'tis ten to one but he
30 Simon Mayo	6 355 5 25	puts you in his Budget.

October hath xxxi days.

New Moon the 3 day, 55. min. past. 6. in the morning.
 First Quarter the 11. day, at 2. in the morning.
 Full Moon the 18. day, 40. min. past. 12. at noon.
 Last Quarter the 25. day, 21. min. past 2. in the morning.

1	a	Remigius	B	bowels	Now Lawyers to-gues do lay on strokes
2	b	Leodegar		reins	'Twixt John a Styles, and John a
3	c	Maximinian		reins	(Nokes,
4	d	Francis		secrets	For John a Nokes his horse was found
5	e	Constance		secrets	To took o're John of Styles his ground,
6	f	19 aft. Trin.		secrets	And therefore he his Action brings
7	g	14. Benson m.		thighs	For one and twenty good Shillings,
8	a	Victor		thighs	But John a Nokes doth make reply,
9	b	D on Arcop.		knees	His Case hath in't no verity,
10	c	Paulin B. V.		knees	By reason that his Horse the whiles
11	d	Burchard		knees	Did break no hedge, nor leap o're styles,
12	e	Wilfride		legs	And that if case be rightly try'd,
13	f	Sun in Scorp		legs	He ought not to be damnif'd.
14	g	K. Jam. II. B		ect	But John a Styles doth make reply,
15	a	E. Darby m.		ect	He ought be damnified, for why
16	b	Gallus		head	His Horses head he doth alledge,
17	c	Andrey Virg.		head	Was full two foot over his hedge,
18	d	Luk. Evang.		neck	Which is a trespass very sore,
19	e	Protonie		neck	And damage ought be given therefore.
20	f	21. after Trin.		arms	Thus some for value of a Straw
21	g	ursula		arms	Will with their Neighbours go to Law,
22	a	Sir T. Peth. m		breast	Until their Purfes empty be,
23	b	Terin begins		breast	And then they willingly agree 3
24	c	Salome		heart	While Lawyers they their money take,
25	d	Crispin.		and	And then of them a mock do make
26	e	Amandus		back	This made a Lawyer at his death
27	f	22. after Trin.		bowels	His Wealth to Bedlam all bequeath,
28	g	S. Sim. & Jud.		bowels	Saying, Of mad men he it gain'd,
29	a	Narcissus		reins	And mad men should by't be main-
30	b	Germane		reins	(tain'd.
31	c	Julian Fast		secrets	

Observations on October.

The weather now beginneth to grow chilly,
Wear then warm Cloaths or else you are but silly.
Put on your Night-Caps, guard your Feet with Socks,
And willingly sit not a night i'th' Stock.

1	Tom Tram	6	36	5	24	Now shall the wind-
2	Phelps the Scribler	6	38	5	22	mill of affection,
3	If thou desirest	6	40	5	20	blown by the Sails of
4	a good name,	6	42	5	18	fancy, turn round the
5	Do actions that	6	44	5	16	Marble Milstone of
6	deserve the same.	6	46	5	14	some tender Females
7	Cerberus	6	48	5	12	pitty, separating the
8	Kalosbrough	6	50	5	10	Flowers of her com-
9	Doctor Lamb	6	52	5	8	passion from the brain
10	Still things do in	6	54	5	6	of disdain, and knead-
11	this nature stand,	6	56	5	4	ing it up into a loaf
12	who hath most coyn	6	58	5	2	f love, and cake of
13	may most command.	7	0	5	0	comfort, intermixt
14	Sir Giles Goose cap	7	2	4	58	with the Curvans of
15	Arthur of Bradley	7	4	4	56	constancy, and nur-
16	Cutting Dick	7	6	4	54	meg of nuptial society, and
17	Harrison the Butcher	7	8	4	52	baked in the Oven of du-
18	Scot the Brewer	7	10	4	50	ration. Now the Term
19	Hughkin the Jester	7	12	4	48	begins, when a Lawyer
20	John Cooke	7	14	4	46	will whip up a Cause, as
21	Daniel Axtell	7	16	4	44	a Barber trims his Cu-
22	Adrian Scroop	7	17	4	43	ners on a Christmas Eve,
23	John Carew	7	19	4	41	a skip, a wipe, and away.
24	John Jones	7	20	4	40	Few of that profession
25	The Term begins,	7	22	4	38	love musick, because they
26	Money provide,	7	24	4	36	live upon discord. To-
27	For Lawyers wants	7	26	4	34	wards the latter end of
28	must be supply'd.	7	28	4	32	the Month the Dung-
29	Robin Goodfellow	7	30	4	30	Beats will be trimmed
30	Frier Forrest	7	32	4	28	up as gay as a Country
31	Aristippus	7	33	4	27	Wench on a Whitson

November hath xxx days.

New Moon the 1. day, 35 m. past 12 in the afternoon.
 First Quarter the 11. day, 31 m. past 3 in the morning.
 Full Moon the 16. day, 39 m. past 10 at night.
 Last Quarter the 23 day, 20 min. past 5 in the afternoon.

1	f	All Saints	secrets	This present is the age of Gold,
2	c	All Soules	secrets	Not that of yore as Poets told,
3	f	23 after Trin.	thighs	For love of Gold now beas such sway
4	h	Mary P. & E.	thighs	That all do in commands obey
5	a	Powder Plot	knees	For it the nimble Lawyers write,
6	b	Leonard	knees	The Porson endures the heat,
7	c	Florentius	knees	Toying in hunger, cold, and sweat,
8	d	Claudius	legs	It makes the crooked Bodies strain,
9	e	Theodore	legs	Them sit at Table that should wait
10	f	24 after Trin.	feet	It makes the Fool on Cock-Horse ride,
11	g	Martine	feet	And poor wise men foot by his side
12	a	Sun in Sagitt.	feet	The ignorant illiterate Asse
13	b	Brice	head	A learned Scholer for to passe
14	c	Fredrick	head	It will command both Cap and Knee,
15	d	Q. Cath. born	neck	Or any thing to honour thee
16	e	Edmond B.C.	neck	But if thou hast not store of pelf,
17	f	25 after Trin.	arms	Although as wise as Solomon's self,
18	g	Gelasius	arms	Though head be full, if purse be lank,
19	a	Carol L. Nat.	breast	Thou maist keep company with Jack
20	b	Agapine	breast	(Franck
21	c	Pres. Mary	heart	For every one's esteem I we see
22	d	Cicely Virg.	heart	For what they have, not what they be
23	e	Clemens	bowels	If rich thou art, most honoured Sir,
24	f	26 after Trin.	bowels	If poor; nor Hast, nor Tongue will
25	g	Conrade	reins	(Sir
26	a	Linus	and	Thus as you money are it tries Men,
27	b	St. Andrew	loynes	Makes wise Men fools, and fools be
28	c	Term ends	secrets	(wise Men,
29	d	Saturn fast	secrets	It is the Metal governs all things,
30	e	Andrew	thighs	Makes small things great, and great
				(things small things.

Observations on November.

Knaveries, Rivalries, Rogues, and Treacheries;
In this Month (as other Months) some do fit and devise;
Many would be counted wise but most men are otherwise.
For wimzies and prodigies fill mens heads with fooleries.

1 James Chaloner	7 3 4 23	The wezther now is
2 Galdo Fox	7 3 4 2	somewhat sharp, there
3 Tale bearers are	4 4 1	fore Heavens bless us
4 like Almanacks,	4 4 12	from scarcity of New
5 If one Tale true,	4 4 18	Castle Coals, and send
6 there's twenty Lacks.	4 4 14	our Carav. Ships safely
7 Calapachio	7 4 4 12	home. Should the Levi
8 Henry Heron	7 4 4 11	now go to look for U
9 Ned oth Faggot lost	7 5 4 9	surers in Ainshouse: he
10 Young twigs stand fast,	7 5 4 8	may chance to lose his
11 tall Trees decay,	7 5 4 6	labour, and a idle will
12 Youth waxeth ripe,	7 5 4 5	they be who walk now
13 age wears away.	7 5 4 1	abroad to hear the
14 Rogue the Register	7 6 4	Cuckow sing. Sharp
15 Will Dell	8 0 1	ow weather and hard frost
16 Colebrand.	8 1 2	this, and the next two
17 Vow powder'd Pork	8 1 3	Months in Greenland
18 and Turneps are	8 2 1	those who will not be-
19 To hungry stomachs	8 2 1	lieve me, let them go
20 dainti fare.	8 2 1	thither at that time
21 Arthur of Bradley	8 2 1 5	and (if they c'n) prove
22 John Ven	8 2 1 5	me a liar. 'Tis scarce
23 John Blackston	8 1 1 5	many excellent wite
24 John James	8 1 1 4	may now fall sick o
25 Devil of Edmonson	8 1 1 4	the Scotch Disease, co
26 John Lookes	8 1 1 4	and hunger, if the
27 the Term is ended	8 1 3 47	uncharitable Chandler
28 now at last,	8 1 3 47	should refuse to trust.
29 But all mens troubles	8 1 4 45	
30 are not past.	8 1 5 45	

December hath xxxi days.

New Moon the 1 day, 4 min. past 1 afternoon.
 First Quarter 9 day, at 6 in the afternoon.
 Full Moon 16 day, 2 m n. past 10 in the forenoon.
 Last Quarter 23 day, 42 min. past 10 in the forenoon.
 New Moon 31 day, 3 min. past 3 afternoon.

1	f	Adv. Sunday	thighs	
2	g	Candida	thighs	A Song.
3	a	Callian	knees	
4	b	Barbara Virg.	knees	Though storms do blow,
5	c	Sabine	legs	And's cold also,
6	d	Ambrose Bl.	legs	Why not, we are not undone,
7	e	Concep. Mary	legs	The Colliers Fleet
8	f	2 Sund. in Ad.	feet	The Thames doth greet,
9	g	Joachim	feet	And's coming up to London.
10	a	Miltiades	head	Then cheer your Souls
11	b	Sund. in Capr.	head	up with your Bowles
12	c	Paul Bish.	neck	And Sing like to a Tinker,
13	d	Lucie Virg.	neck	We shall have Coals
14	e	Nicasius	arms	To warm our Nails,
15	f	3 Sund. in Ad.	arms	And toast our Nose this Winter.
16	g	O sapientia	breast	
17	a	Lazarus	breast	A Sea-Coal Fire
18	b	Christopher	heart	Is my desire,
19	c	Nemestius	heart	To sit by it and warm me,
20	d	Julian Fast	bowels	With a Pot of Ale
21	e	Tho. Apostle	bowels	To tell a Tale,
22	f	4 Sund. in Ad.	reins	Such things as these w'n't harm me.
23	g	St. Al. Cary m.	and	Whilst Jack and Jill,
24	a	10 Virgins	loyns	Lawrence and Will,
25	b	Christm. day	secrets	Sit down and Club together,
26	c	S. Stephen	secret	By Candle light
27	d	S. Joh. Evan.	thighs	In a Winter's night,
28	e	H. Innocent	and	And a Fig for all foul weather.
29	f	M. Pitcher m.	hips	
30	g	David	knees	
31	a	Silvester	knees	

Observations on December.

The days are short, the weather cold and dirty,
 Much play at *Whisk*, *Cross-ruff*, and *One and Thirty*.
 New Christmas Gamballs some Men do devise,
 And much confusion's made of minced Pies.

1	Tinker of Bedford	8	16	3	44	This Month is much em-
2	Tho. Wogan	8	16	3	44	ployment for Cooks,
3	Who with a Shrow	8	17	3	43	who are entituled Mo-
4	to Wife is sped,	8	17	3	43	narchs of the Marrow-
5	That Man is finely	8	13	3	42	bones, Marquises of the
6	brought to Bed.	8	12	3	42	utton, Lords high
7	Dirty Doll	8	12	3	42	Regents of the Spit and
8	John Alured	8	19	3	41	the Kettle, Barons of
9	Vavasor Powell	8	19	3	41	the Gridiron, and sole
10	Mephostophllus	8	19	3	41	Commanders of the
11	Provide for Christmas	8	19	3	41	Frying Pan. Now the
12	ere it comes,	8	19	3	41	weather is vehement
13	For to lay in	8	19	3	41	cold, therefore arm your
14	both Spice and Plums.	8	19	3	41	selves within, with but-
15	Peg Lemon	8	19	3	41	tered Ale, Sack-Posset,
16	Queen of Sluts	8	19	3	42	and cherishing Caudles,
17	Alderman Hoyle	8	18	3	42	which will be more
18	Henry Smith	8	18	3	42	comfortable to the
19	James Guthrey	8	17	3	43	heart, than marrying a
20	Mother Cunney	8	17	3	43	Shrow. People may
21	Those People who	8	17	3	44	stir up the fire, yet
22	have riches store,	8	16	3	44	though the days be
23	And will this time	8	15	3	45	cold, the nights are
24	not feast the Poor,	8	14	3	46	warm enough, god-a-
25	May they with Bread	8	14	3	46	mercy good Ruggs, and
26	and Water fast,	8	13	3	47	kind the bed-fellows.
27	until the next	8	13	3	48	
28	three months be past.	8	11	3	48	
29	Jilian of Croyden	8	11	3	49	
30	Mun. Prideaux	8	10	3	50	
31	Elew-Beard	8	9	3	51	

The Contents of the Almanack.

1. **I**N the first Column on the left hand Page, is contained the days of the Month, that is to say, as many days as the Month contains.
2. In the second Column, the Weeks days, and the Dominical Letters, whereby you may know when to put on your best Cloaths to go to Church on Sunday.
3. In the third, all the principal and observable Saints days, with the most remarkable *Hero's* murdered for their Loyalty during the late times of Rebellion.
4. The Signs, or Moons place in the Zodiack.
5. Pleasant Observations in Verse.
6. In the sixth Column, the first in the right hand Page, you have again the numeral figures of the Month, by any of which you may know when to receive Mony, if you have any to take, or know how to get it.
7. In the seventh, the Roundheads or Fanaticks Kalendar, (Saints worth weeping for, though never a one of them in Squire Fox's Kalendar) also in some places, short Verses of good Instructions, very proper for the seasons wherein they fall, the like not extant in any other Almanack.
8. The time of Sun rising.
9. The time of Sun setting.
10. Astrological Observations and Predictions, according to the venerable erling Fathers, *Erra Pater*, the Iberian *Guzman*, and the Gallique *Rablass*.

The Charge of a Country Constable to his Watch.

NOW Friends, being dissuabled before me, separate your selves together, and listen to your Charge. You may by vertue of your Office reprehend any Person or Persons that walks the Streets too late at a seasonable hour, and by the same vertue commit him to Prison, and then ask him whither he was going: and if he do resist, you may knock him down, and then bid him stand, and come before the Constable: And so I think you are sufficiently Instructed concerning your Office.

POOR Robin, 1689.

A
PROGNOSTICATION
For the Year of our Lord
God 1689.

Containing a necessary Table of Expences, the better to order thy Estate that thou do not out-run the Constable. An exact Account of the two great Lunar Eclipses which will happen this Year, with Astrological Judgments upon them. A most accurate Description of the four Quarters of the Year. An Astrological Scheme, resolving all manner of Doubts and Demands according to a new Method, the like not extant in Ptolomey, Albumazar, nor Ticho Brache. The reason why the Sea is salt, according to the Opinion of the famous Doctor Francis Rablain, with a Rule how to choose a Wife, according to these Times. Being all intermixed with Profit and Delight.

Calculated according to Art for the Meridian of *Saffron Walden* in *Essex*, and may without sensible Error serve for any other Town either in *Kent* or *Christendom*.

*Astrologers are Men of understanding,
Who Heavens Twelve Houses have at their commanding
But yet on Earth such Fate is to them gave,
Without Coin here not one House can they have.*

L O N D O N,
Printed for the Company of Stationers, 1689.

A Table whereby you may know,
To what Expence in time doth grow.

By the Day.	By the Week.			By the Month.			By the Year.		
Pence.	l	s	d	l	s	d	l	s	d
1	0	0	7	0	2	4	1	10	5
2	0	1	2	0	4	8	3	0	10
3	0	1	9	0	7	0	4	11	3
4	0	2	4	0	9	4	6	1	8
5	0	2	11	0	11	8	7	12	1
6	0	3	6	0	14	0	9	2	6
7	0	4	1	0	16	4	10	12	11
8	0	4	8	0	18	0	12	3	4
9	0	5	3	1	1	0	13	13	9
10	0	5	10	1	3	4	15	6	2
11	0	6	5	1	5	0	16	14	9
Shillings.	l	s	d	l	s	d	l	s	d
1	0	7	0	1	8	0	18	5	0
2	0	14	0	2	16	0	36	10	0
3	1	1	0	4	4	0	54	15	0
4	1	8	0	5	12	0	73	0	0
5	1	15	0	7	0	0	91	5	0
6	2	2	0	8	8	0	109	10	0
7	2	9	0	9	16	0	127	15	0
8	2	16	0	11	4	0	146	0	0
9	3	3	0	12	12	0	164	5	0
10	3	10	0	14	0	0	182	10	0
11	3	17	0	15	8	0	200	15	0
12	4	4	0	16	16	0	219	0	0
13	4	11	0	18	4	0	237	5	0
14	4	18	0	19	12	0	255	10	0
15	5	5	0	21	0	0	273	15	0
16	5	12	0	22	8	0	292	0	0

This Table may a caution to such be,
Who lavish out their Money Foolishly :
A Great a Day seems but a small Expence,
Yet in the Year's six Pounds & twenty Pence.
Learn then of little Summs to make account,
Since in the Year they to so much amount.

Poor Robin, 1689.

Of the Eclipses this present Year, 1689.

NOT to mention those Eclipses which will not be visible in our Horizon, we shall have this Year two notable Eclipses of the Moon; both which for their Duration and Visibillity to us will be as remarkable as any Eclipses we have had these twenty Years.

*When three Hours space the Moon shall lose her Light,
Earth interposing her from the Sun's Sight.*

The first of these will be on *March* the 25th. the Beginning thereof near five of the Clock in the Afternoon, the exact time of the Middle thereof when it will be best beholding it, 41. Minutes after 6. the End thereof near 8. the whole duration of it about 3 Hours; the Digits eclipsed 21. and 19. Minutes; so that if the Air be clear, all the latter part of it will be very conspicuous in our Horizon.

And now having shown you the time when it will be, we shall next give you our Observations thereupon, And first this Eclipse doth prognosticate that in few days after it happens, much Rent will become due to Landlords, and therefore *Sol* being in a benign Aspect with *Jupiter*, it portends great Joy and Glee unto them; As contrarily much Sorrow and Vexation to Tenants that should pay Rent then, but have not Money wherewithal to do it.

*And of all Miseries 'tis the greatest Curse,
To be in debt and have an empty Purse.*

Mercury is in a Trine with *Venus*, this will cause many a young Gallant to lay hard Siege to the weak Carkass of some frail Female, courting her with Dishes of stewed *Anagrams*, bak'd *Epigrams*, souled *Madrigals*, pickled *Roundelayes*, broiled *Sonnets*, parboyl'd *Elegies*, persum'd *Poessies* for Rings, and a thousand other such foolish Flatteries and Devices; But, Oh you Maids! have a care of their sugred Promises; candied Oratory, gilded Phrases, and honey'd Rhetorick; it is but to entice

you to be one of *Venus* Wastcoats, and having yielded the Fort of your Virginity, you are utterly ruined, for a lost Maidenhead can never be recovered.

*For to regain the same y u may as soon
Empty the Sea of Water with a Spoon,
Or count the Blades of Grass Earth on that grow,
Or kindle Fire with a Lump of Snow,
Or with a Stone the Moon strike at a Throw.*

Again, *Jupiter* being in a Square with *Mars*, and well fortified in the 11th. House, this prognosticates that *Canary* will be cheap, which will be welcome News to most sorts of People; for it is brisk *Canary* that makes many a Souldier to metamorphize the Metall of his Murrion and Morgli into the Elixir of the Juice of *Bacchus*, thinking the Clinking of Wine-Pots better Musick than the Sound of Drums or Trumpets. *Canary* it is the Poet's *Nepenthe*, *Aganippe*, his *Nectar*, *Tempe*, *Hellicon*, and *Castalian* Fountain, by inspiration of which he writes Strains beyond *Ela*, or the Sphere of *Saturn*. It makes the Mathematician so skillful, that he knows *Charles* his Wain from a Sedan, and his Antartick Pole from a Constable's Staff. It causes the Astronomer to play the Aleconner's Part and search all the twelve Signs of the *Zodiac*, to know what Weight and Measure they allow. It is sprightly *Sack* that makes the Grammarian to speak beyond his Rules. It fills the Logician with Syllogisms and Sophistry. And makes the Arithmetician accompt past numbring, and number beyond all accompt. In brief *Canary* is to every one what they will themselves, Meat, Drink, Washing, and Lodging.

'Tis the Grapes juice whose dancing sprightly Bubbles,
Defie degenerous Fears, and the dull Troubles
Of poor afflicted Hearts, darting such Graces,
Their sparkling Streams cast Lustre round our Faces.
But let me tell ye Friends, (to use the Quakers Phrase)
thongh I would have ye drink *Sack* to make ye merry,
I would not have ye guzzle it so down as to make ye
drunk; for a Drunkard is but a Beast in the Shape of a
Man,

Poor Robin, 1689.

Man, as may be seen by their different and various Actions and Postures: one will whoop and hallow, another sings, a third dances, a fourth weeps, a fifth sleeps, a sixth leaps over Stools and Tables to show his Activity, a seventh knocks, stamps, and throws Pots down the Stairs, calls the Drawers Rogues, the Man of the Houſe Cuckold, and his Wife Whore, breaks Glasses and Glass-Windows: another pulls out his Sword, and to make valiant Proof how well he can use it, cuts, hews, and slashes Posts, Doors, Boards, and sticks the Prodigal's Picture in the Painted Cloath. These are the brutish Delights of swinish Drunkards, wherein they take their chiefest Pleasure, as *J. hn Taylor* the Water-Poet in his Book of the Description of a mere Good-Fellow,

When Tom did swear and Will did spue and spill,

That was the sport that pleas'd me best of all.

But my Intention is not so, but having met with a Friend, go to the Tavern and drink

A Glass of brisk Canary or old Sherry,

To cheer the Heart and make the Vitals merry.

But to return where we left. The second Luminary Eclipse will be on the 19th. of September, 46 Minutes past 2 in the Morning, and will be a very great Eclipse, to the Quantity of 20 Digits and 39 Minutes, therefore those who have a desire to behold it, if they rise betimes, and that the Air be clear, and their Eyes be sound and good, if they look up to the Heavens, they may perfectly behold it; but if their Eye-Sight be bad, let them make use of those never failing Helps, viz. a Pair of Spectacles and a Pail of Water.

But let what Weather ever will befall

Blind-men, they shall not see the same at all.

Now to give you our Astrological Judgment upon it, we find *Saturn* afflicted in the Cusp of the 11th. House. This prognosticates that there shall be many Ass-Cuckolds, who believe their Ears to be Horns. *Mercury* is in his Exaltation and Biquintile with *Mars*; this shall much excite many People to travel, especially to Terra

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Incognita, for there (they say) some Ladies do say their Prayers, and many Courtiers do keep their Words; Usurers do lend and take no-Interest, and Prodigal Gallants do build Alms-houses; Scriveners and Publick Notaries do wear long Ears, and Townsmen have very short Foreheads. Now some perhaps will not believe this, which if they do not, I cannot much blame them, for to tell you true, I hardly believe it my self.

Believe or not believe, all's one to me,

As I did hear it, I do tell it thee.

Again, we find that *Venus* in the House of *Capricorn*, is very much depressed by the *Dragon's-Tail*: this prognosticates that many Mobs of *Venus* will be sent to the Colledge of *Bridewel*, that well compacted Commonwealth of Workers against their Wills, where the Awe of the Whipstock confines them to the laborious stroak of the Hemp block, and the turning of the Wheel a daily Memento of the turning over a new Leaf; but some Whores are so much worn they are past turning, like to some old Whoremasters, who though debilitated by Age do still retain wanton Thoughts, like him in the Epigrammatist.

Winter hath seiz'd upon thy Beard and Head,
Yet for all this thy wild ears are not shed.
Methinks when Hills are overspread with Snow,
It should not wantonly be hot below.
But thou most like unto a Leak dost seem:
For though thy Head be *White* thy Tail is *Green*.

Jupiter is in the Altitudes, therefore few Women will be such Fools, as to deny any thing that is good. *Venus* is rampant in the twelfth House, which shall cause some Men to love as much of raw Mutton, better than an Ell of fry'd Stockfish. *Mercury* is in his Mulligrubs, and in opposition to *Sol*, therefore Honest men will be so scarce as not to be found in every Hole, nor every Street.

Nay sometimes a whole Town you may say true,
For sleeping Mackerel may be cry'd for New.

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The Stars generally incline most People to wish themselves rich, especially those who are given to keep Company, because the Proverb says. *Paupertas amicis non spoliatur.* 'Tis Poverty parts good company. And these Lines of the Poet are not so old as true.

The Man is blest, that hath a Chest,

And Money to put therein:

But he that has none, may sit like a Mome,

And no body calls him in.

'Tis Money, or Moneys worth makes many a simple Blowze to get her a Husband.

Many a one for a little Land,

Takes a Shee Fool by the Hand.

Sape etiam Stultus valde opportuna locutus; a Fool many times speaks to the Purpose. And so much for the Eclipses for this Year. And now to other Matters.

Of the four Quarters of the Year, and first of the Spring.

THE witty and ingenious Gentleman, Sir Thomas Overbury, in his Characters, saith, that an *Almanack-maker* is a Tenant by Custom to the Planets, of whom he holds the twelve Houses by Lease Parole, dividing the Year into four Quarters; Spring, Summer, Autumn, and Winter: of which the Spring Quarter is accounted first, and good Reason for it, because all things then begin to flourish, the Grass to grow, the Flowers to sprout forth, the Trees to bud, and the winged Choristers of the Woods to chant forth their melodious Ditties. Now young Men and Maids exercise themselves at Stool-Ball, Barley-break, and dancing: the pretty Lambs caper Levalco's on the Flowry Plains, and the Earth is now clad in its greatest Bravery.

The Earth like some rich wanton Heir]

Whose Parents coffin'd lie:

Forgets it once look'd Pale and Bare,

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And doth for Vanities prepare,

As if Spring ne're would die.

This pleasant Quarter taketh its beginning on the 10th. day of *March*, and continues till the Sun runs his course through *Aries*, *Taurus*, and *Gemini*, until the 11th. of *June* when *Summer* begins

Whereas Sol leaving the more gentle Twins,

With Cancer, and the fi' panting Leo inns.

Now the Good-Wife's Dairy begins to come in, which will cause a great Inundation of Possets, Syllabubs, Cheese-Cakes and Custards; Good Husbands now will goe to bed by Day Light, whilst those who waite the whole Night in a Tavern, will make the Vintners rich, and themselves Beggars. Now ist he season of the Year for People to take Physick, but they who have no Maladies, may stay till another time. This Quarter expect the coming of the Cuckow, they who take no Pleasure in her Song may stop their Ears, if they please.

But if here should no Cuckow sing at all,

The Cuckold's Lot would to some Men befall.

Summer.

THIS Summer Quarter takes its beginning as soon as ever the Spring ends, viz. at the Sun's Entrance into the first point of the Solstitial Sign *Cancer*, being the 11 day of *June*, when the Sun being ascended to his greatest height, brings all the Earth's Furniture to their several Tropicks.

Now the Weather will be so hot that Beggars will scorn the Barns, and lie in the Fields, taking no care for any thing, as having their Meat and Drink provided for them by others. The fat Consciences of divers Men will be melted away into nothing, Ladies shall get Surfeits, by eating of Cherries, to the great benefit of Physicians. There shall be much Cheese where there are great Dairies, especially in *Cheshire* and *Suffolk*; and a great destruction at *Iffington*, *Newington*, and the Parts Adjacent

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cent made of Custards, Cheese-Cakes, Flawns, Fools,
Plumb-Cakes, Stew'd Prunes, and Bottle-Ale.

*When Tib and Tom upon a Holy day,
Make fair assault on such good things as they.*

The Planet *Mercury* receives much detriment this Quarter, which presages abundance of Knavery in Millers and Weavers, and threatens a wonderful deadness of Trade to Lick Boys, and Oyster-Wenchers. *Venus* having also a Quarter share in the gubernation, signifies many Country Lasses will have green Gowns given them, and sacrifice their Maiden-heads on a Hay-cock for propagation of Mankind.

*When nine Months after it is plainly seen,
What Labour they have at Hay making been.*

This Quarter Poets shall look in their Purses with a Candle and Lanthorn at Noon-day, and yet not find one Crost to keep the Devil from dancing in them. Now Claret-Wine with Borage in it is an excellent good Drink; a Capon or Pullet good Meat to feed on, and a handsome Vertuous Wife, a good Bed-fellow.

*Now if that these things so good single be,
How happy is the Man that hath all three,
Oh! would such things allotted were for me.*

Autumn.

Autumn, or Apple-time, is the the third Quarter of the Year, and begins according to the account of Astrologers, September the 12th at which time, that never dying Lamp of Heaven, the Worlds bright Eye *Hyperion*, doth with his burning Car enter the first scruple of the Equinoctial Sign *Libra*, or the Pair of Balances. Whereby the Days are measured, weighed out, and proportioned in equal Length, Weight, and Measure with the Nights, there being no more difference in their Length, than betwixt a Tetter and a Sixpence, a Broom or a Besom, or a Quodling and boiled Apples.

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*Or if more fit comparison yu'd have,
Than is betwixt a Catchpole and a K ———*

Saturn is in a Trine with Mercury, which threatens many School-Boys with whipping, for plucking of Geese, and robbing of Orchards. Also this Quarter young Men and Maids will mind the thing call'd Marrying, they consider that Winter is coming on, and that two in a Bed will be warmer than one. Nor will it be strange to hear, that so many Young Heirs fall in love with Chamber-Maids, and Coffee-Womens Daughters, and others turn Spend-thrifts, for so says the learned Ha'y, *Mercurius in quarta Nobilium Casum nunciat*, Mercury in the fourth, denotes they shall bring their Nobles to nine Pence.

*And there are far more which that course do take,
Than those who of nine Pence a Noble make.*

People beyond Seas are busy to provide good Wines for us, and our Vinteners studying as fast to spoyle them with Lyme, Stum, and a thousand poisonous Adulterations. Brokers and Usurers shall have the numb Palsie in their Consciences; and Consumptions shall be very rife, for the Merchant consumes, the Mercer consumes, and the Vintner consumes, and all this because the Apprentice consumes. This latter Spring may produce some budding Foreheads, you that have gadding Wives lock them up, yet now I think on't do not neither, for those who are born under horned Signs, will prove Cuckolds do what they can.

Felix quem faciunt aliorum cornua cantum.

Winter.

Winter the last and worst Quarter of all the Year, begins at the Sun's Entrance into the Southern Tropical Sign Capricorn, making the shortest Day and longest Night to all on this side the Equator.

Now is nothing to be seen but a pale Sun, and a threadbare Earth, instead of a flowry Month of Flora's richest Tapistry. The Ground is often robed with a
Vest

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Vest of Snow, the Birds are as mute as a Woman that hath lost her Voice with scolding, or as *Westminster Hall* in the long Vacation. A Noddy in a Woman's Bosom, will be as rare a Sight as to see an honest Horse-Courser, and Strawberries and Cherries as scarce as Twenty Shilling Pieces in Poets Pockets.

*And that's as rare a thing as to remember
Deep Snows in June, or Roses in December.*

Now a good Fire in thy Kitchen will be as seasonable as a Rope for a Thief, or a Pillory for a Cheater; and the Smell of Roast-Beef, and minc'd Pies, very cordial to a hungry Stomach. Some shall be so employed in other Mens Business that they shall have no time to mind their own, but to such people, answer them with the Poet.

*He that in each Man's Boat will have an Oar,
None in his own, 'twould puzzle half a Score
To name him, but least he a Name should lack,
Call him Ardelio, that is Busie-Jack.*

Now a Glass of Wine is very comfortable, be it either White-wine, Claret, Graves, High-Country, Malligo, Charino, Sherry, Tent, Aligant, or Rhenish, but above all Canary, which *Vinum dicitur quia vinculum Societatis.*

*The Knot of hearty Friendship
Is by good Sack combin'd,
They love no Jarrs, nor mortal Wars,
That are to Sack enclin'd.
Nor can he be dishonest,
Whom Sack and Sugar feedeth,
For all Men see, he's fat and free,
And no ill Humour breedeth.*

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The Astrological Scheme.



Now to what purpose this Scheme serves, I profess by my Granum's Dan Cow, I know no more than the Taylor that works to the *Man in the Moon*; yet because it is said that an Almanack without a Scheme is like a Bag-pudding without Suet, we have presented you with a new contrived one, and shall endeavour to give you the meaning of it as near as we can, that is, as near as four Farthings to a Penny, or four Pence to a gray^d Goat.

First then we find *Mars* robust in a Square of the 6th House, this signifies that if you tye a Dog to a Post with

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with a Black Pudding, he will soon bite a two the string. *Mercury* is retrograde and in a Trine with *Jupiter*, by which I find there will be little trust in four things, viz. the Smiles of Courtiers, the Tears of Harlots, the Oaths of Tradesmen, and the Mourning of rich Heirs. *Venus* is ill posited in the eighth House; some shall do that privately in a Corner, which nine Months after they shall repent openly. Hear what the Poet saith.

*When hasty Dogs eat Broth too hot, how they
Will lick their scalded Lips, and sneak away.*

Mars being in the *Fiery Trigon* denotes a very hot Summer, which shall cause Sillabubs to be in great request with some People, especially such as are made of *Dunsmore Cows Milk*. *Mercury* is in a Trine with *Sol*, this shall cause many to be conceitedly ingenious, as was that great Drinker, who when he Dyed left fifty Pounds to be drank in Wine, at these Taverns following; viz. Ten Pounds at the *Wonder Tavern* in *Ludgate Street*, for honest Men and no Brewers; ten Pounds at the *Castle* for *Military Men*; ten Pounds at the *Miter* for *Clergy Men*, ten Pounds at the *Horn-Tavern* for *Citizens*, and ten Pounds at the *Devil Tavern* for *Lawyers*. *Venus* a'join a Trine with *Aquarius*, prognosticates, that Ladies hearts though hard as Flint, are easiest broke upon a Feather-Bed; and that some Men shall be so far prevail'd upon by the Temptations of the Petticoat, that they shall fear no Danger below the Navel.

*But have a Care to trade with such a Wench,
who takes in English, and pays back in French.*

Sol being in a robust Angle with *Mercury*, and in a Cusp with *Gemini* in the Eleventh House, doth plainly denote, that many People for their Livelyhood shall be much beholden to the *Italian Proverb*.

*Con il Arte e eo' gl'inyanno
Se vivs mezzo l'anno
Coyl' inyanno co' l'arte
Se vive l'altra parte.*

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Thus Englished.

*A man by Art and by Deceit,
Half a Year may live compleat;
By the same Deceit and Art,
He may live the other part.*

An Apparition of Gold will make a Man look as brisk as a glass of Canary, and become as pliant as a Dog's-Leather Glove, and indeed Gold has the greatest operation upon People of both Sexes; although the *Italians* have a Proverb, as we read in *Boccace*,

*As the good Horse and bad Horse do both need the Spur,
So a good Wife and bad Wife, the Wand will make stir.*

'Tis Gold makes Marriages, and therefore if you see a handsome Maid of 24 Years of age unmarried, you may safely say she has no Gold to her Portion; Beauty, Wit, nor good Conditions, have no competition with Gold, as the Poet hath it,

'Tis Riches now a days is all in all,

Wealth goes before, and Beauty comes behind,
Riches we see of Beauty take the Wall,

To Riches is the higher Room assign'd.

Nay like a Cipher is poor Beauty thought,
It must be join'd with Wealth or stand for Nought.

And yet *Jupiter* being in a benign aspect with *Venus*, doth denote that good House-keeping may come again in season, there being nothing comparable unto it.

But good Housekeeping cannot be maintained without store of good Money, which is a scarce Commodity in these times, especially amongst Poets, Serving-men, and younger Brothers, who seldom trouble Usurers or Scriveners, as People that can neither trust nor be trusted, having that Epidemical Disease amongst them of a Money-less Pocket, the greatest Misery that can befall a Man, as one thus foolingly describes it.

Who can with words describe the misery
Of him whose Pocket is of Money dry?

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Tantalus, Sisyphus, Prometheus, Ixion's Wheel,
Are nothing to the Torments he doth feel;
Having no Crosses, with all Crosses cprst,
In every Frown of Fate his is the worst, &c.

These are the Miseries of an empty Pocket, but Gold
can make a *Maikin* a Gentlewoman, although made up
of Chippings, broken Beer, Candle ends, and sifting
of Sea-cole.

Sol is in a Biquintile with *Mars*, therefore if there be
no Deceit among Tradesmen, no Bribery among Officers,
no Banquerant out of *Ludgate*, nor Whore out of *Bridewell*;
Then will there be no Wit among Knaves, no
Want among Scholars, nor no Unquietness in Marriage.

And thus I think I have given you a sufficient account
of all such things predicted by the Scheme aforesaid;
and that with the greatest Caution I could, having always
in my mind the Dutch Proverb, *Who bringeth himself into
needless Dangers, dieth the Devil's Martyr.*

*The Reason why the Sea is salt, according to the Opinion of that
famous French Doctor, Francis Rablais, in his most excel-
lent History of the Renowned Pantagruel*

At the time when *Phœbus* gave the Government of his
resplendant Chariot to his Son *Phæton*, this *Phæton* un-
skilful in the Art, and not knowing how to keep the E-
cliprick Line betwixt the two Tropicks of the Latitude
of the Sans course, strayed out of his way, and came
so near the Earth, that he dried up all the Countries
that were under it, burning a great part of the Heavens.
Which the Philosophers call *Via LaSea*, and the Huff-
snuffs, *Saint James* his Way, although the most coped,
lofty Poets affirm, that to be the Place where *Juno's*
Milk fell when she gave suck to *Hercules*.

The Earth at that time was so excessively heated, that
it fell into an enormous Sweat, yea such an one as made
it sweat out the *Sea*, which is therefore salt, because all
Sweat

Sweat is salt; and this you cannot but confess to be true, if you tast your own, or of those that have the Pox when they are put into a sweating, it is all one to me, But if you will not believe it, I shall not much blame you, for to tell ye the truth, I hardly believe it my self.

How to chuse a wife according to the Times.

Let her have two Ounces and a Half of natural Beauty, seven Ounces and three Quarters of Artificial Beauty, half a quarter of an Ounce and one Dram of Modesty, fifteen Ounces and a quarter of convenient Boldness; two Grains of Religion, near to a quarter of an Ounce of good Housewifry, and the Weight of her good Conditions in Gold and Silver, and bein thus qualified, she is fitting to make a Wife for any *Hedonist* or *Tory* whatsoever.

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